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41E 30071675	9/1/2016	EA	WR	The Applicant proposes to change the point of diversion and the place of use for Statement of Claim No. 41E 54725-00. The applicant intends to split the use of this water right between stock watering direct from source and a pump and stock tank system.	USFS Forest Service & USDI Bureau of Land Management	Sec 2, T5N, R5W Sec 36, T6N, R5W Sec 1, T5N, R5W Sec 31, T6N, R4W	N/A	North Fork Little Boulder River	Jefferson	9/1/2016
Charles Kahl Stockwater Pipeline	9/15/2016	EA	AG	The Proponent has requested placing and maintaining a stock water pipeline upon state owned T13N-R57E-Sec 36. The pipeline will stem from an existing pipeline located on the south line of T13N-R57E-Sec 25. This pipeline would be installed using a static plow method and be approximately 1.25 miles in length. This pipeline should create more reliable water sources for livestock and wildlife, while creating better grazing distribution within the scope of the project. The project would include installing three tanks on this tract of trust land.	Charles Kahl	T13N-R57E-Sec36	Common Schools	N/A	Wibaux	09/020/16
AgReserves Stockwater Pipeline	9/15/2016	EA	LUL	The Proponent has requested a land use license from the DNRC for the purpose of placing and maintaining a stock water pipeline across state owned T1N-R51E-Sec 16. The pipeline will stem from an existing pipeline to the south this tract of State Trust Land, cross the southeast corner of the tract into Section 15. This pipeline would be installed using the rip trench method and be approximately 400 feet in length. This pipeline should create more reliable water sources for livestock and wildlife, while creating better grazing distribution within the scope of the project.	AgReserves	T1N-R51E-Sec 16	Common Schools	N/A	Custer	09/020/16
Dan Hartman Stock Water Development	9/15/2016	EA	LUL	The Proponent has requested placing and maintaining an electric well, stock water pipeline, and 3 stock tanks upon state owned T4S-R53E-Sec 15&16. The pipeline will stem from the proposed well in T4S-R53E-Sec 16 and run east and west. Two tanks would be placed on Section 16 and one tank on Section 15. This pipeline would be installed using a trencher method and be approximately 1.25 miles in length. This stock water development project should create more reliable water sources for livestock and wildlife, while creating better grazing distribution within the scope of the project.	Dan Hartman	T4S-R53E-Sec 15& 16	Common Schools	N/A	Powder River	09/020/16
Robin Delp Stockwater Pipeline	9/15/2016	EA	LUL	Robin Delp has requested a land use license from the DNRC for the purpose of placing and maintaining a stock water pipeline across state owned T25N-R50E-Sec 36. The pipeline will stem from an existing well north of this tract of State Trust Land. This pipeline would be installed using the rip trench method and be approximately 1 mile in length. This pipeline should create more reliable water sources for livestock and wildlife, while creating better grazing distribution within the scope of the project. The project includes the placement of 3 stock tanks on this section of State Trust Land which will be recorded as an improvement to the lease.	Robin Delp	T25N-R50E-Sec 36	Common Schools	N/A	McCone	09/020/16
Easement Application and Amendment	9/6/2016	EA	LUL	The Proponent has applied for an easement to amend D-5581 to include additional area because a highway approach is being moved. Montana Department of Transportation is moving of the existing approach 300 feet east for safety reasons. The approach is located on the south side of Highway 2 located about 1 mile east of Shelby, Montana. The applicant will amend easement D-5581 to reflect the access change according to the new highway approach.	Homesiteau Development, Corp., 376 St. James Golf Drive, St Augustine, FL 32092	SW¼NW¼, Sec. 36, T32N, R5W	Common Schools	N/A	Toole	9/6/2016
Permit to Appropriate Water 76LJ 30107778	9/6/2016	EA	WR	This application is to obtain a water use permit for a well located in the Glacier National Park Compact Area. The applicant proposes to divert water at a rate of 12 GPM up to 2.25 acre-feet per year. The proposed use is for domestic use from January 1 to December 31 and lawn/garden irrigation April 1-October 31. 0.50 acres will be irrigated.	Patricia S Weatherford & Stuart M Macpherson	Township 36N, Range 22W, Section 12	N/A	Groundwater	Flathead	9/6/2016
40C 30104443	9/7/2016	EA	WR	Proposed change is to add 16 new stock tanks to an existing groundwater well.	Bergin Land & Livestock, LTD	Sec. 13,17,18,19,20,30,31, 32, T9N, R30E	N/A	Groundwater	Musselshell	9/7/2016
76LJ 30104908	9/7/2016	EA	WR	The Applicant is proposing to install a pump in Flathead Lake located in the NWSESE Section 20, Township 25N, Range 19W, Lake County. The proposed appropriation is 12 gallons per minute (GPM) up to 6.6 acre-feet (AF) per year for irrigation of 3 acres of orchard. The proposed period of diversion and use is May 1-October 30.	Scott & Paula Roskam	Govt. Lot 4, N2SESE Section 20, Township 25N, Range 19W, Lake County	N/A	Flathead Lake	Lake	9/8/2016
43Q 30107217	9/12/2016	EA	WR	The applicant proposes to divert water from groundwater, by means of 4 wells, from May 1 through October 15 at 140.0 GPM up to 31.75 AF, from points in the NWSW Section 14 T1N R26E, Yellowstone County, for lawn and garden irrigation use from May 1 through October 15. The Applicant proposes to irrigate lawn and garden on 12.7 AC. The place of use is generally located NWSW Section 14 T1N R26E, Yellowstone County. The proposed wells would provide water for ball field and landscaping watering for a new middle school in the Billings Public Schools District#2.	Billings Public Schools District#2	Section 14 T1N R26E	N/A	Groundwater	Yellowstone	9/12/2016
Highlands Test Wells	9/14/2016	EA	OG	Highlands Montana Corporation plans to drill a test well in Section 16-T5N-R52E. The proponent will construct an access road, well pad and temporary evaporation pit. If the well is economically viable, the proponent would apply for an injection well and reclaim the evaporation pit.	Highlands Montana Corporation	Section 16-T5N-R52E	Common Schools	N/A	Custer	9/12/2016
40J 30104657 Krass Environmental Assessment	2/23/2016	EA	WR	The applicant proposes to change the place of use and add points of diversion to Water Right 40J 167179.	Lorin Krass	T35N R24E S3 T36N R24E S34	N/A	Groundwater	Blaine	9/14/2016
40J 30105878 Krass Environmental Assessment	2/23/2016	EA	WR	The applicant proposes to change the place of use and add points of diversion to Water Right 40J 167182.	Lorin Krass	T35N R24E S3 T36N R24E S34	N/A	Groundwater	Blaine	9/14/2016
ML&E Fairview 14-22-31E-20E	9/19/2016	EA	OG	Small single derrick drilling rig, about 500 HP (Estimated) to drill to 4,053' TD, Lower Bowes Formation test	Montana Land and Exploration, Inc	Section 22 T31N R20E	N/A	N/A	Blaine	9/14/2016
Kendrick Heirs 4-6	7/15/2016	EA	OG	Small single derrick drilling rig, about 500 HP (Estimated) to drill to 4,850' TD, Tensleep and Amsden Formation test	Briscoe Petroleum, LLC	Lot 4 Section 6 T01S R35E	N/A	N/A	Big Horn	9/14/2016
Helios	9/8/2016	EA	OG	Small single derrick drilling rig, about 500 HP (Estimated) to drill to 5,300' TD, Muddy Formation test	Highlands Montana Corporation	Section 16 T5N R52E	N/A	N/A	Custer	9/14/2016
40J 30105879 Krass Environmental Assessment	2/23/2016	EA	WR	The applicant proposes to change the place of use and add points of diversion to Water Right 40J 167183.	Lorin Krass	T35N R24E S3 T36N R24E S34	N/A	Groundwater	Blaine	9/15/2016
Hogum Creek Homesite SMZ Alternative Practice	9/20/2016	EA	FP	This is an Environmental Analysis for an SMZ Alternative Practice. The purpose of the Alternative Practice is to cut trees within the SMZ for a home site and create defensible space for the future home.	John Wilkins	Sections 16 and 17 Township 14 North Range 7 West	N/A	Hogum Creek	Lewis & Clark	9/15/2016
Barthelmess - Electric Fence	9/15/2016	EA	AG	The applicant proposes to install a new 2-wire electric fence across approximately 100 yards of School Trust land which he leases, with the purpose of separating grazing acreage from deeded hayland acreage.	Leo Barthelmess, Barthelmess Ranch Corp	SE4SW4 of Section 16, Township 26N, Range 32E	Common Schools	N/A	Phillips	9/15/2016

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Coal Ridge Blowdown Salvage	9/26/2016	EA	TS	Salvage logging of blown down timber in a site prep unit	MT DNRC - Stillwater Unit	T34N, R21W, Sec.21,28	Pine Hills School, Public Buildings (PB)	N/A	Flathead	9/20/2016
MSO East FY17 PCT	12/1/2016	EA	FMA	pre-commercial thin stands to meet the following objectives: • Increase growth and vigor of the stand(s) • Achieve a more uniform stem distribution • Concentrate growth on fewer trees in order to attain merchantable size in a shorter time frame. • Increased vigor to reduce the threat of insect and disease infestation.	Missoula Unit DNRC	Sec 4,5,20,21 & 28 T12N R15W; Sec 2 & 3 T12N R16W; Sec 33 T13N R15W Sec 19,20,28,29,32,33 & 34 T13N R16W	Common Schools, Lands Acquired - Public School	N/A	Missoula	9/20/2016
415 30105194	9/19/2016	EA	WR	The Proposed change is to add stock 7 tanks to an existing Statement of Claim, 415 135415. the original claim is for stock use and has an associated claim from the same source for domestic use. The applicant has provided data on the flow rate of the developed spring, and has shown that the source can provide the claimed 10 GPM.	Randall & Susan Barta	SENESE Sec. 15/ SENWSW (1), SWNESW(3),SENWSW (1),NENWSW (1) Sec. 14 T13N, R18E.	N/A	Groundwater	Fergus	9/19/2016
Missouri "River Fiber Optic 1	9/16/2016	EA	ROW	Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink has applied for Navigable Waterway/Utility ROW to install new aerial fiber optic cable over the Missouri River utilizing existing utility infrastructure owned by NorthWestern Energy. The ROW corridor for the crossing would be 20 feet wide , 429.94 ft long for 0.20 acres in Cascade County, MT T16N R2W Section 20	Qwest Corp. dba Century Link	T16N R2W Section 20	Public Land Trust (Navigable Rivers)	Missouri River	Cascade	9/16/2016
Cowan Ranch Timber Sale	9/15/2016	EA	TS	The Havre Unit of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is proposing the Cowan Ranch Timber Sale. The project is located 30 miles southeast of Havre on Sec. 36 T28N R17E.	Havre Unit, Northeast Land Office, Montana DNRC	Sec 36 T28N R17E	Common Schools	N/A	Blaine	9/22/2016
Jack Creek Westslope Cutthroat Trout Barrier	9/22/2016	EA	Land Lease/Land Use Licenses	The Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) has applied for a Land Use License (LUL) to install a wooden fish barrier into a dry section of Jack Creek, a tributary of the Ruby River in the Greenhorn Mountains south of Alder, Montana. The purpose of this project is to protect a genetically unaltered population of Westslope Cutthroat Trout (WCT) in Jack Creek by installing a barrier to upstream fish movement in an ephemeral section of the creek.	Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)	SENE ¼ Section 7, Township 8 South – Range 4 West	Public Buildings (PB)	N/A	Madison	9/22/2016
Fiber Optic Cable	9/23/2016	EA	Right of Way/Easements	CenturyLink would like to place a fiber optic cable across this state section in order to provide upgraded broadband services to the Kelly Canyon, Moffit Gulch, Jackson Creek, Quinn Creek, and Trial Creek areas. This project is designed to meet obligations of the F.C.C Connect America Fund phase two federal program for rural broadband deployment. There is an existing fiber toll cable in the same location that cannot meet capacity.	Quest Corporation dba CenturyLink	Township 2S Range 7E Section 16	Common Schools	N/A	Gallatin	9/23/2016
Tom Owens Spring Development	10/1/106	EA	Agriculture	The surface lessee Tom Owens has requested to develop an existing spring and place a stock water pipeline and tank on the above mentioned tract to State Trust Land. This proposed developed spring will be pipelined a short distance to a water tank, and will provide a more reliable water source for livestock on this section.	Tom Owens	T3N-R60E-Sec 36	Common Schools	N/A	Fallon	9/23/2016
Application for Beneficial Water Use Permit 43Q 30106232	9/26/2016	EA	WR	The applicant proposes to divert water from the groundwater, by means of an approximately 55 foot deep well, from May 1 to September 30 at 150 GPM up to 33.1 AF, from a point in the NENESE Section 9 T2S R24E, Yellowstone County for lawn and garden irrigation use from May 1 to September 30. The Applicant proposed to irrigate lawn and garden on approximately 13 acres. The place of use is generally located at the Laurel Middle	Laurel Public School District 7	Sections 9 and 10 T2S R24E, Yellowstone County	N/A	Groundwater	Yellowstone	9/26/2016
Permit to Appropriate Water 76LJ 30108200	9/23/2016	EA	WR	This application is for a water use permit to develop a spring located in the Glacier National Park Compact Area. The Applicant proposes to divert water at a rate of 9 gallons per minute (GPM) up to 8.91 acre-feet per year (AF). The proposed uses are domestic use from January 1 to December 31, lawn and garden and other uses (2 shops, 1 bath house, 4 seasonal cottages, and 4 trailers) April 1-October 31. Three acres will be	Vernon T Pettey	Section 35, Township 36N, Range 22W	N/A	Groundwater	Flathead	9/23/2016
Land Use License 49S-16	10/2/2016	EA	OG	Montana Land & Exploration has applied for a Land Use License in order to use an existing gravel road (2,775.4 feet) and two-track trail (884.1 feet) through State land. The road would be used to access a proposed well site located to the north of the State tract. If the well proves to be economically viable, the two-track trail would be improved to a gravel road for maintenance and operation of the well. The roads would be maintained to safety standards.	Montana Land & Exploration	T31N-R20E-27	Common Schools	N/A	Blaine	9/26/2016
Hay Coulee	9/27/2016	CE	FMA	Perform stand improvement salvage and green post and pole.	Montana DNRC SLO	S 36 T07N R25E	N/A	N/A	Musselshell	9/27/2016
Devil Mountain 2 Timber Sale	6/1/2017	EA	TS	2016-09-28_ts_Devil-Mountain-2-Timber-Sale	DNRC	T12N, R11W, Section 36	Common Schools	Cottonwood Creek	Powel	9/28/2016
ML&E Bowes Dome 9-30-32N-20E	10/11/2016	EA	OG	Small single derrick drilling rig, about 500 HP (Estimated) to drill to 3,538' TD, Upper and Lower Bowes Formation test.	Montana Land and Exploration, Inc		N/A	N/A	Blaine	9/28/2016
YPL HDD Boring Clark Fork	10/20/2016	EA	ROW	The Yellowstone Pipe Line Company (YPL) is proposing to construct two new 10" pipeline crossings of the Clark Fork River in the Nimrod (MP296.3) and Turah (MP313.5) areas upstream of Missoula, MT utilizing Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) technology. These crossings are intended to replace two existing crossings where the depth of cover over the pipes is insufficient.	Yellowstone Pipeline Company	SE4NE4 SECTION 21, T11N - R15W Nimrod NE4NW4 Section 18, T12N - R17W Turah	Public Land Trust (Navigable Rivers)	Clark Fork (Columbia) River	Granite, Missoula	9/29/2016
Century Link Missouri River Crossings	10/1/2016	EA	ROW	Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink has applied for Navigable Waterway/Utility ROW's to install new aerial fiber optic cable in four different locations over the Missouri River utilizing existing utility infrastructure owned by NorthWestern Energy.	Century Link	SECTION 16, T16N, R2W Section 11, T16N, R2W Section 11, T16N, R2W Section 02, T16N, R2W	Public Land Trust (Navigable Rivers)	Missouri River	Cascade	9/29/2016
76H 30105063	9/29/2016	EA	WR	The applicant is applying for a state water reservation for instream flow for fish pursuant the water compact between the State of Montana and the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service (MCA 85-20-1401 and 85-2-320). The DNRC shall issue a water right if the USDA Forest Service application meets all requirements outlined in the compact and in Application Form #638: Water Reservation Application for Instream Flow.	Forest Service	Section 7, Twp 4N, Rge 19W.	N/A	Sleeping Child Creek (Bitterroot River Basin)	Ravalli	9/29/2016
76H 30105056	9/29/2016	EA	WR	The applicant is applying for a state water reservation for instream flow for fish pursuant the water compact between the State of Montana and the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service (MCA 85-20-1401 and 85-2-320). The DNRC shall issue a water right if the USDA Forest Service application meets all requirements outlined in the compact and in Application Form #638: Water Reservation Application for Instream Flow.	Forest Service	Sections 13 and 14 of Twp 2S, Rge 22W, Ravalli County.				